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Congratulations to the Class of 2021!



"When you respect the idea that you are sharing the Earth with other humans, and when you lead with your nice foot forward, you'll win, every time. It might not be today, it might not be tomorrow, but it comes back to you when you need it."

~ Kristen Bell

WHAT SENIORS WILL MISS MOST

Annual Fund Incentives Being Greeted by Mr. Kardish Being the Oldest in the School Chicken Tuesday Christmas at Villa Easter Egg Hunt French Fries Friends Lunch My Sisters Service Snow Days Teachers The Feast The Villa Family Traditions Uniforms Villa Cookies

WHAT SENIORS WILL MISS LEAST

Annotations

Homework

Lockers

Nametags

No Sweatpants / Sweatshirts

Penny Loafers

Projects

Recitations

Research Papers

Stress / Workload

Studying

Uniforms

Waking Up Early

FAVORITE MEMORIES

Badminton Tournament
Chicago Trip
Coffee House
Europe Trip

Europe Irip

Events with Parents

Gym Classes

Halloween Parade

Hershey

Hope-A-THON

Laughing in the Halls

Lunch

Mini-THON

Outdoor Classes

Prom

Retreats

Ring Day

Scooter Races

Spirit Days

Sports

The Shows

ADVICE FOR THE JUNIORS

Do your homework. Don't be afraid to step out of your

comfort zone.

Don't forget to live in the present.

Don't have regrets.

Don't procrastinate.

Don't take it for granted.

Embrace change.

Everything will work out.

Get involved!

Have fun!

Reflect & Pray!

Stop stressing!

Take it all in. You will miss it.

Take pictures.

Try not to complain.

You matter!

Senior Poem

by: Lizzy Mimm, Taylor Mueller, & Anna Wendel '21

As we look back at our time at Villa, The end came as fast as the start. We love you all so dearly. Our sisters are Jems in all of our hearts.

The year has been "unprecedentedly" crazy, but we've still had so much fun.
And now it's our pleasure to introduce to you,
The class of 2021.

Jessica Angelucci loves a good meme, and she's even living the band dream.

Kylie Aquaro is excellent on the ice, and she never fails to be nice.

Ella Arace is Messiah bound. They're lucky for the soccer player they've found.

Emily Aschenbrenner is the queen of finance; she is part of the reason we all could dance!

Alessia Barricelli lights up the room. We know her acting skills will continue to bloom.

Faith Bartos is stellar with lacrosse. On the field, she's a boss.

Margaret Beavers is never one to disappoint; We'll miss her when she leaves for High Point.

Julia Beck sets goals on and off the field. Her true talents are for sure revealed.

Allison Bergkoetter is great in crew; there's truly nothing she can't do.

Jessica Bower is solid and smart. In the next stage of life, she's off to a great start.

Isabelle Brady is on the swim team. She's bound to succeed in all of her dreams.

Shelby Brodhead has chosen her school. She's going to Monmouth, which is so cool.

Katelyn Burke is going to Penn State. She is beyond talented and kind; she will do great.

Caitlin Byrnes is going to Pitt, where she will be able to use her grit.

Meghan Campolongo is part of it all.
From NHS to Chorale, she's been great since
Freshman year Fall.

Olivia Caravello's cat is one everyone knows, Not only to her but also Oreo, have we all gotten close.

Lia Caucci is going to make a change. West Chester is lucky to have her in their range.

Mary Ellen Connelly is a leader of hope; with every challenge she faces, she never says nope.

Julia Cunningham has the speed, and she also helps those in need.

Glory Daniel is a Timothee Chalamat stan, and for her humor, everyone is a fan.

Morgan Decker is Fordham bound; she's a talented girl all around.

Ines Dominique serves in so many ways, from tennis to the altar, she's been great each day.

Ayla Erbas is an intellectual and loves to learn. always willing to dig deep and to show concern.

Angela Farinella is going to West Chester for college, where she can share all of her knowledge.

Gianna Fiduccia is ambitious and smart, and above all, she has a great heart.

Kiera Fleming is going to Sacred Heart. Both athletic and kind, she's off the chart.

Katharine Frain is hilarious and sincere; at Penn State, she'll have a great four years.

Allyson Gallagher has visited our sisters and gone to the Bean.

At everything Villa, she's bound to be seen.

Julie Garrison is going to Notre Dame, not having her at Villa next year will be a shame.

Meredith Gauker sells fro-yo, and she will do great things, we all know.

Estella Griffin is going to Appalachian State; they're getting a good one and definitely can't wait.

Jessica Gross is destined for the magis at SJU. The fact that she is funny and intelligent is nothing but true.

Sydney Hageman's a runner and made a great cross country friend, and the bonds she forged on the track will never come to an end.

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Sabina Hartman's Kentucky '25 and will wear their white and blue.

Her laugh and smile have touched so many. This much is so true.

Katie Henes is athletic, funny, and a fashion lover, too; She's already been hired for the interior design. Woo!

Maggie Hensel's basketball skills are unparalleled, the best. She's always been so talented and so helpful to the rest.

Madeline Hobson was a rower for Villa Joe's team. She's going to U of New Haven; we're so excited we could scream!

Megan Iannacone is Susquehanna bound, a place with the River Hawks is the home that she's found.

Haley Johnson's our stage manager and the best one we've had yet.

Cedar Crest is gaining a star, a Jem even, we'll bet!

Maya Joseph's smile makes her simply beloved by all. This soccer star is attending Tufts this upcoming Fall.

Jessica Joslyn greeted all at Villa with a smile this year; In a few months, as a Clemson Tiger, a new era of happiness is ever so near.

Grace Kelly is tenacious and will always help in a bind. She's the leader of the Jems that we can always get behind.

Kiersten Kelly's ambition is one that never fails. She'll kick up her Irish dancing heels when she gets to DeSales.

Riley Kennedy never failes to be organized. Villa won't be the same without her; this must be recognized.

Kennedy Kilchrist is an all-star on the soccer field. She is genuinely herself, always unconcealed.

Madeline Kupper is eccentric and kind. From the stage to academics, she's such a good find.

Hunter LaBree is always there when you need support or a call,

and her "One Direction" backpack is the envy of them all.

Callie Lange's fashion sense stands out from all the rest, The University of Pittsburgh is the school that she liked best.

Bridie Lawall has always shone in her roles up on the stage, and when it comes to theatre, look no further than this sage.

At Scranton is where Emily Leahy will make new waves. She's always up for a challenge and shows us how to be brave.

Abby Lehman is Tampa bound, and we're proud as can be. Her sweet and loving personality will make her friendship a priority.

Morgan Lewis is going to Temple U. We can't wait to see what great things she will do.

Chloe Lopez is intelligent and candid, All will admire her at NYU, the college she's landed.

Sarah Luca is majoring in Bio. At Lafayette, she will be able to continue to grow.

Gabrielle Lyons is a volleyball queen. With 1,000 digs, she's always on the scene.

Sarah Mack's going to the U of SC, where she'll study and grow by the beach and the sea.

Ayiana Mallon, our softball star, is confident and sporty, and her fashion sets a high bar.

Nicole Masselle is our main squeeze. Studying to become a lawyer, she'll always wear her heart on her sleeve.

Skylar Masselle boxes at the gym, and when it comes to fun, she's always ready on a whim.

Grace Matwijec has a beautiful, infectious laugh. When she goes to Penn, she carries the love of the Jems on our behalf.

Anna McCarthy's humor is fantastic to behold, She rocks it out backstage and onstage, we're told.

Molly McHugh is Loyola bound, No one's prouder than the Jems when she's around.

Kaitlyn McKendry will be one of the Fairfield Stags. We hope you're excited, so start packing your bags!

Ellie McLaughlin committed to Villanova white and blue. She'll fit right in with the wildcats and do great things, too.

Barbara Meakim is Temple '25. It will help her achieve all the goals for which she strives.

Alana Millevoi is off to Scranton in the Fall. She's been the greatest friend to one and all.

Lizzy Mimm's the sweetest and curious at that. She'll always make a difference wherever she is at.

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Katie Molloy has a calm, comforting, serenely pleasant air, and being her friend means that you're forever in her care.

Hailey Monaghan will become a Royal Scranton success. She's friendly, kind, and joyous, always ready to impress.

Lindsay Morris is passionate and outspoken to behold, And in her future, great things will begin to unfold.

Taylor Mueller's smile is a comfort to all. Even with a mask on, she will light up any hall.

Nina Pagliaro will wear Charleston's scarlet proud. Help us hype her up and share our excitement aloud.

Isabella Pontarelli off to West Chester where we're sure she'll have a ball.

When she works for NASCAR, we'll hear of her success and all.

Brooke Rankin is a dancing queen. She was always the best to have on your Spirit Day team.

Maggie Ritchie's in Xavier's class of 2025, and when it comes to musical theatre, there's no better actress alive.

Abigail Roth's at Stockton with plenty of things to do, but she'll always make room in her schedule for friends and family, too.

Sophia Rubinstein is off to South Carolina, where she'll make a great CEO.

She will always be able to make a statement with her trademarked, joyous glow.

Shannon Rusnak is funny as can be. She'll be a great addition to the art scene, we foresee.

Anna Schreiner's off to Manhattan, and we'll miss her every day.

She always knew just what to do and the perfect thing to say.

Bridgid Schultz has no fear, And will take on Villanova next year.

Abigail Simeon is funny and wise. She's always up for a chat and to socialize.

Olivia Stark is one of the best at art; she will take on The College of New Jersey with a big strong heart.

Katie Sullivan is a goal setter on the soccer team, and at Johns Hopkins, she'll live out her dreams.

Grace Taylor's off to Longwood, and soccer she will play.

During her time here, she lit up every room with her presence every single day.

Tessa Timmerman will be going to Pitt, She's been a massive help with her quizlets and has a great wit.

Maggie Tomaselli was one of our many Jems to play basketball.

Now at Drexel, she will be known to give it her all.

Nevaeh Vecchione always has incredible nails, After her time at Coastal Carolina, she'll be able to tell great tales.

Alexandra Venth is our Salutatorian, our second in command, at NHS or Environmental Club, she'd always lend a hand.

Emily Verespy is a future owl at Temple. As a Villa sister, she will always set the example.

Samantha Villari is the one to row; Ohio State is where she will go.

Colette Weidle was Lorraine in the Halloween show, West Chester is lucky to have her, and she's excited to go!

Katelyn Weller is leaving us for PSU. While here, she will study business, but fashion design she will pursue.

Anna Wendel is as bright as could be. At Dickinson, she will continue as far as she can see.

Alexis Wetzler is on her way to Monmouth U, but her volleyball spirit won't be new.

Allyson Wolfe is leaving us for Maryland this Fall. While at Loyola, she will have a ball.

Jamie Zhang is off to Drexel next year, and she will attend with a big cheer.

So, here we are at the end but really at the start. The tears will flow from our eyes when it's time for us to part. Until then, let's sit back and remember, with a smile, all of the things that made these last four years worthwhile.

From this day on, remember the words from Mother Maria up above.

You will always be a part of her legacy — "Always more. Always better. Always with love."

Senior Destinations

Jessica Angelucci

College: Hofstra University Major: Filmmaking Dream Job: Film Director

Kylie Aquaro

College: Rochester Institute of Technology

Major: Nutrition

Dream Job: Interior Designer

Ella Arace

College: Messiah University Major: Education (Pre-k - 4) and Special Education Dream Job: Famous Dancer

Emily Aschenbrenner

College: Fairfield University

Major: Finance Dream Job: CFO

Alessia Barricelli

College: Saint Joseph's University Major: Interdisciplinary Health Services Dream Job: Mermaid-Real One is a Nurse Anesthetist

Faith Bartos

College: Bridgewater College Major: Political Science Dream Job: Lawyer

Margaret Beavers

College: High Point University

Major: Psychology

Dream Job: Sports Psychologist

Julia Beck

College: Misericordia University Major: Physical Therapy

Dream Job: Physical Therapist for the Sixers

Allison Bergkoetter

College: University of Pittsburgh Major: Environmental Engineering Dream Job: CEO

Jessica Bower

College: DeSales University

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Nurse Practitioner

Isabelle Brady

College: West Chester University Major: Exercise Science: Pre-Physical

Therapy

Dream Job: Physical Therapist

Shelby Brodhead

College: Monmouth University

Major: Marine and Environment Biology and

Policy

Dream Job: Marine Biologist

Katelyn Burke

College: Pennsylvania State University-

Schreyer

Major: Aerospace Engineering Dream Job: Work for NASA or SpaceX

Caitlin Byrnes

College: University of Pittsburgh Major: Occupational Therapy Dream Job: Candy Taster

Meghan Campolongo

College: Pennsylvania State University Major: Pre-Veterinary and Biomedical

Sciences

Dream Job: Veterinarian

Olivia Caravello

College: Texas Christian University

Major: Psychology

Dream Job: Michelin Space Star Inspector

Lia Caucci

College: West Chester University Major: Psychology/Criminal Justice Dream Job: Forensic Psychologist

Mary Ellen Connelly

College: Clemson University Major: Elementary Education

Dream Job: Speech - Language Pathologist

Julia Cunningham

College: Elon University

Glory Daniel

College: University of Colorado Denver Major: Computer Engineering

Dream Job: Engineer

Morgan Decker

College: Fordham University

Major: Finance

Dream Job: CFO of a Fitness Company

Ines Dominique

College: The College of New Jersey

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Pediatrician

Ayla Erbas

College: The College of New Jersey

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Pediatric Dentist

Angela Farinella

College: West Chester University

Major: Criminal Justice

Dream Job: Criminal Defense Attorney

Gianna Fiduccia

College: Georgia Tech

Major: Chemical and Biomolecular

Engineering

Dream Job: Regenerative Medicine Research

Kiera Fleming

College: Sacred Heart University Major: Occupational Therapy

Dream Job: Farmer

Katharine Frain

College: Pennsylvania State University Major: Environmental Sciences

Dream Job: Botanist

Allyson Gallagher

College: Duquesne University Major: Physical Therapy

Dream Job: Physical Therapist for Kids with

Special Needs

Julie Garrison

College: University of Notre Dame Major: Biology- Pre-medicine Dream Job: Pediatrician

Meredith Gauker

College: Suffolk University Major: Political Science Dream Job: Sommelier

Estella Griffin

College: Appalachian State University

Major: Hospitality Dream Job: Disney World

Jessica Gross

College: Saint Joseph's University

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Pharmacist

Sydney Hageman

College: Pennsylvania State University

Major: Marketing

Dream Job: Media Planner

Sabina Hartman

College: University of Kentucky

Major: Business

Kathleen Henes

College: Thomas Jefferson University

Major: Interior Design

Dream Job: Interior Designer

Senior Destinations

Margaret Hensel

College: Duquesne University

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Travel Nurse or Nurse

Practitioner

Madeline Hobson

College: University of New Haven
Major: Criminal Justice- Crime Analysis

Dream Job: FBI Agent

Megan Iannacone

College: Susquehanna University

Major: Early Education
Dream Job: Detective

Haley Johnson

College: Cedar Crest College

Major: Psychology and Criminal Justice

Dream Job: FBI Profiler

Maya Joseph

College: Tufts University Major: Computer Science

Dream Job: Fries Taste Tester or Data

Scientist (as backup)

Jessica Joslyn

College: Clemson University

Major: Finance

Dream Job: Work in the Finance Branch of

the FBI

Grace Kelly

College: Pennsylvania State University

Kiersten Kelly

College: DeSales University

Major: Medical Studies-Physician Assistant

Program

Dream Job: Own an Irish dance school in

Ireland

Riley Kennedy

College: Marywood University

Major: Architecture

Dream Job: Residential Architect and

Designer

Kennedy Kilchrist

College: Bloomsburg University

Major: Finance

Dream Job: Business Owner

Madeline Kupper

College: Virginia Tech. University

Major: Engineering

Dream Job: Imagineer for Disney

Hunter LaBree

College: Saint Joseph's University

Major: Health Sciences Dream Job: Nurse

Callie Lange

College: University of Pittsburgh

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Animal Nurse/Rehabilitator

Bridie Lawall

College: Pennsylvania State University

Major: Undecided

Dream Job: Clinical Therapy

Emily Leahy

College: University of Scranton Major: Elementary Education Dream Job: Traveling the World

Abigail Lehman

College: University of Tampa

Major: Pre-med

Dream Job: Physician-Assistant

Morgan Lewis

College: Temple University

Major: History
Dream Job: Lawyer

Chloe Lopez

College: New York University

Major: Chemistry

Dream Job: Founder of Wyoming

Sarah Luca

College: Lafayette College

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Anesthesiologist

Gabrielle Lyons

College: The University of Scranton

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Environmental Law

Sarah Mack

College: University of South Carolina

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Reality TV Star

Ayiana Mallon

College: Saint Joseph's University Major: Business Administration Dream Job: CEO of Under Armour

Nicole Masselle

College: University of Tampa

Major: International Business of Economics

Dream Job: Lawyer

Skylar Masselle

College: University of Tampa Major: International Business and

Management

Dream Job: Own a Boxing Gym

Grace Matwijec

College: University of Pennsylvania Major: Undecided; Pre-med Track

Dream Job: Doctor

Anna McCarthy

College: Franciscan University
Major: Communication Arts: digital
broadcasting and production
concentration

Dream Job: Next Paul Blart Mall Cop

Molly McHugh

College: Loyola University- Maryland

Major: Education

Dream Job: High School History Teacher

Kaitlyn McKendry

College: Fairfield University

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Pediatric Nurse Practitioner

Ellie McLaughlin

College: Villanova University

Major: Economics

Dream Job: To be Bill Gates

Barbara Meakim

College: Temple University

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Nurse Anesthetist

Alana Millevoi

College: University of Scranton

Major: Undecided

Dream Job: Early/ Special Education

Teacher

Elizabeth Mimm

College: University of Pittsburgh

Major: Neuroscience

Dream Job: Kidz Bop Singer or

Neuropsychology

Katherine Molloy

College: Northeastern University

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Doctor in the PEDS, NICU, or Oncology Units

Hailey Monaghan

College: University of Scranton
Major: Occupational Therapy
Dream Job: Olympic Long Jumper

Lindsay Morris

College: Pennsylvania State University

Major: Undecided

Dream Job: Lawyer

Senior Destinations

Taylor Mueller

College: La Salle University

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Emergency Room Doctor

Nina Pagliaro

College: College of Charleston

Isabella Pontarelli

College: West Chester University
Major: Business Marketing

Dream Job: Marketing Manager for Nascar

Brooke Rankin

College: University of Tampa

Margaret Ritchie

College: Xavier University

Major: Undecided

Dream Job: To Own Her Own Business

Abigail Roth

College: Stockton University Major: Health Sciences Dream Job: Dog Trainer

Sophia Rubinstein

College: University of South Carolina Major: Business/ Undecided

Dream Job: CEO

Shannon Rusnak

College: Boston University (College of Communications)

Major: Film and Television

Dream Job: Filmmaker/ Storyteller- Stop Motion Animator

Anna Schreiner

College: Manhattan College

Major: Psychology
Dream Job: Therapist

Bridgid Schultz

College: Villanova University Major: Business/ Undecided

Dream Job: Working an Investment Firm

Abigail Simeon

College: Bucks County Community of

Science
Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Opening her own Beauty Spa

Olivia Stark

College: The College of New Jersey
Major: Interactive Multimedia
Dream Job: Animation/ Storyboarding

Katherine Sullivan

College: John Hopkins University

Major: Undecided

Dream Job: Professional Soccer Player

Grace Taylor

College: Longwood University

Major: Business Administration/ Marketing Dream Job: Marketing for an Athletic

Company or a D1 Soccer Coach

Theresa Timmerman

College: University of Pittsburgh

Major: Pharmacy

Dream Job: Environmentalist

Maggie Tomaselli

College: Drexel University

Major: Finance and Business Analytics

Dream Job: Financial Advisor

Nevaeh Vecchione

College: Coastal Carolina University

Major: Exercise Science

Dream Job: Physical Therapist

Alexandra Venth

College: University of Pennsylvania Major: International Relations/ Environmental Studies Dream Job: Environmental Lawyer

Emily Verespy

College: Temple University

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Fro-Yo shop owner

Samantha Villari

College: Ohio State University

Major: Finance with a Minor in Psychology

Dream Job: Stock Broker

Colette Weildle

College: West Chester University

Major: Psychology

Dream Job: FBI Psychologist

Katelyn Weller

College: Pennsylvania State University

Major: Business

Dream Job: Fashion Designer

Anna Wendel

College: Dickinson College
Major: Environmental Science and

Psychology

Dream Job: Museum Curator or Small

Business Owner

Alexis Wetzler

College: Monmouth University

Major: Nursing

Dream Job: Wedding Designer

Allyson Wolfe

College: Loyola University- Maryland

Major: Biology

Dream Job: Doctor of Sports Medicine

Jamie Zhang

College: Drexel University

Major: Business

Dream Job: Chief Investment Officer





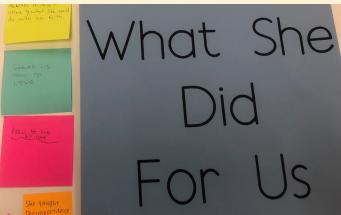


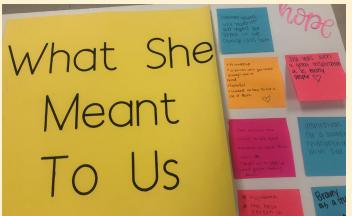


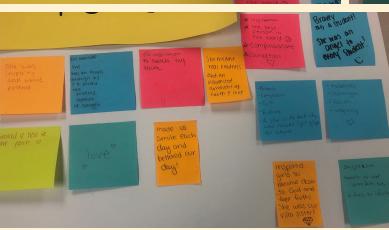
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Remembering Maria Middleton









All Is Well ~ Oliver Wright

Death is nothing at all,
I have only slipped into the next room
I am I and you are you
Whatever we were to each other, that we are still.
Call me by my old familiar name,

Speak to me in the easy way which you always used Put no difference in your tone,

Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow

Laugh as we always laughed at the little jokes we enjoyed together.

Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.

Let my name be ever the household word that it always was, Let it be spoken without effect, without the trace of shadow on it. Life means all that it ever meant.

It is the same as it ever was, there is unbroken continuity. Why should I be out of mind because I am out of sight?

I am waiting for you, for an interval, somewhere very near, Just around the corner.
All is well.



Always More.
Always Better.
Always with Love.

To the Class of 2021,...

Congratulations, Class of 2021! You've made it! While these past couple of years have not unfolded in a way that anyone could have imagined, you made of the best of the difficult circumstances. The resilience and adaptability you've demonstrated here at Villa will help you as you begin your next adventure. When life inevitably throws challenges your way, never forget that you've overcome challenges before. You've come together to support each other and your community before. And now you know you can do it again.

On a personal note, I want to express how grateful I am to have had an opportunity to work with so many of you during my first two years at Villa. You and your peers have made coming to work the highlight of my day, each and every day.

Good luck with life's next chapter. And don't forget, you will always have friends at Villa. Keep in touch!

Best wishes. And take care, Mr. Mayer

Farewell Seniors!!! I've known some of you just passing in the hallway with a greeting or a smile. Some of you have graced my art room classes with your talents. Some long enough to know you very well. Some long enough to know you better than I'd like to... Some have driven me crazy in so many ways, on so many days (you know who you are!!!). For some, we'll always have Chicago! You're all talented in so many ways, making the best band, choir and plays. You've all pushed through two tough years and made things bearable. Best of all, you've made me laugh every day at Villa. I will miss you all and look forward to hearing about your future accomplishments!!! Love you guys!

- Ms Brooks

Dear Seniors,

"Life is amazing. And then it's awful. And then it's amazing again. And in between the amazing and awful it's ordinary and mundane and routine. Breathe in the amazing, hold on through the awful, and relax and exhale during the ordinary. That's just living heartbreaking, soul-healing, amazing, awful, ordinary life. And it's breathtakingly beautiful." — L.R. Knost

We are all so proud of you and all that you have overcome this past year. You're going to do great things & I can't wait to say "I knew you when!"

Always with love, Ms. May

Seniors!

We are going to miss you all deeply as you leave our building, but we know you all are destined for greatness. I had the privilege of having most of you for multiple years, so it's important for you to know that you made me a better teacher and person through your willingness to critically approach situations and your compassion. Continue to make the world, in both big and small gestures, a better place. Your love and reliance can move mountains.

With love, Mr. Mic

May the road rise to meet you,
May the wind be always at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face,
The rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again,
May God hold you in the palm of his hand.

- Mrs. Holdren

To the class of 2021 — Wherever you go in your life, and whatever you do - be confident. Trust yourself. Look for courage in new places and things that cross your path. When life knocks you down, get back up... knowing that your Villa family is supporting you and pulling for you every step of the way. In moments of struggle, know that we believe in you. You have overcome many obstacles and probably the strangest year in your life. Take the strength of what this year has given you and move forward with tenacity!

Always with love, Ms. Heuckroth

Cherubs!

You continue to be my prayer. Thank you for the gift you've been to me throughout this "unprecedented" (cue eye roll) year. You continue to make me a better teacher, better father, better husband and better human. I've got a long way to go, but thanks to your support, humor and enthusiasm, I hope to be 1% closer each day.

Trust in yourselves, trust in God and when you find yourselves wondering, 'What Do You Do With a Chance?" TAKE IT! Here's hoping your life is filled with fireflies...

With gratitude and admiration, Mr. Dennis

"I am not afraid... I was BORN to do this" - St. Joan of Arc

Congratulations to the Class of 2021 - You were BORN for such a time as this. With all of life's challenges, continue to have courage and know that God is by your side. We are rooting for you every step of the way.

Always with Love, Mr. and Mrs. Wisniewski ...you are loved, always!

Dear Class of 2021.

As you move into this exciting time in your lives, do not forget the steps you took to get there. All of you found your way and made decisions, and now you all have the opportunity to explore & enjoy the wonderful world that is out there! Be grateful for what Villa has provided to you and to those who have supported you along the way. I know you will all be successful in your future endeavors and remember we are all so proud of you.

Congratulations! Mrs. Bedrosian

Goodbye to a most unforgettable group of students! I'm so sorry that some of your junior and all of your senior year was filled with oddities and uncertainty during a global pandemic!! I will always remember you as a vibrant group of students who were always willing to step up and volunteer whenever asked! I appreciate your LOVE and involvement in our Athletes Helping Athletes Villa Fun Nights. From your freshmen year right up to the virtual fun nights we have had this year, you were the group who I could depend on to be there for our buddies. Thank you for always doing MORE and being MORE! You will be missed.

Fondly, Mrs. Neeld:) Congratulations, Class of 2021! We're so excited to welcome you into our alumnae family. Make sure to stay in touch with us!

Always with Love, The Villa Joseph Marie Alumnae Association

Class of 2021,

Change is an inevitable part of life...and you have lived through this more times over than I can count. Do amazing things! Come back and visit. Have a short list and a long list of memories. Best wishes in all that you do!

- Mrs. Carr

"Just because someone stumbles and loses their path, doesn't mean they're lost forever."

- Charles Xavier (X-Men)

To the Class of 2021.

Thank you for being such an inspiration and for helping me to find my way. You are truly my angels. There's not much left to say except — "Happy Valentine's Day!"

Before you leave, you must know vou are beloved.

- Miss McKeever

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Miss McKeever

My dear seniors, the last year and a half has provided you with one of the strangest high school experiences imaginable. Regardless, because of your desire and need to come physically back to the building and to safely distance among other things, you made the determination that you were going to grab as much normalcy as possible. You did. Never lose that determination to make your world a better place in the midst of the apparent chaos surrounding you. That determination is a gift.

I'll miss you, Ms. McBrinn

As you reflect on the 2020-2021 school year, it is my hope that only the very pleasant memories come to mind. I will never forget this class. You are so resilient. Few people have the privilege to teach such outstanding and funny young ladies- I consider myself very fortunate. Your numerous accolades and unbelievable talents will serve as a standard for future classes to come.

My sincerest wishes for many years filled with happiness, health, and love! — Mr. Fitz

To the Class of 2021,

Your senior year was like no other and it is one I am sure you will always remember. My prayer for you as a class is that you continue to discern who God is calling you to be. This call is unique to each of you. Lean into your gifts and into your discomforts. God is in all of life with you. May you also always feel your classmate and Villa Sister, Maria, with you. She is a great saint you can pray to! Villa is proud of you! Continue to carry out Mother Maria's legacy of Always more, Always better, Always with love in all things.

Peace and love, Mrs. McCarthy